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IN THE ABSTRACT:

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ADD NEW CLAIMS 11-20:

fructan is acylated with a degree of substitution of 0.6-1.8.--

- --12.(New) The method according to Claim 2, wherein the fructan has an average chain length of 3-60, in particular 4-30.--
- --13.(New) The method according to Claim 3, wherein the fructan has an average chain length of 3-60, in particular 4-30.--
- --14.(New) The method according to Claim 2, wherein the degree of substitution of carboxymethyl groups is less than 0.2.
- --15.(New) The method according to Claim 3, wherein the degree of substitution of carboxymethyl groups is less than 0.2.--